

The police department finished 2011 with a full complement of employees for the first time in many years. Joe Schreiner was hired in February as a patrol officer. Gary Montgomery was hired in October to fill the part time Neighborhood Service position. Communications and Records both made it through the year without any new hires.

The department continues to utilize funds from the POST Training Fund to accomplish our training needs. Officers attended 644 hours of POST approved training in 2011. POST reimbursed the City for expenses associated with the training in the amount of \$9250. Post trainings attended by officers were; Advanced Field Training Officer Course, Supervisor's Role in Managing Use of Force Incidents, Taser Instructor Recertification Course, Mesa County S.W.A.T. Team Training, Managing the Evidence Room & Property for Law Enforcement Agencies, NRA Tactical Instructor Training (Handgun & Rifle), Reid Interviewing and Interrogation Training, Level I Accident Investigation Training, Rifle Armorer Training, SFST/DUI Investigation Training, Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement (A.R.I.D.E.), Report Writing (Through Colorado Association of Chiefs of Police – CACP and Legal Update (Through CDAC). The department also takes advantage of some money through the ADAD grant to maintain instructor certifications for some officers in alcohol and drug education areas. Use of POST and ADAD funds will continue in 2012. We also conducted regular departmental training in arrest control, taser use, less lethal weapons, blood borne pathogens, intoxilyzer recertification, 1st Aid/CPR certification and firearms qualification. The Regional POST board has available a mobile training simulator system which the department has used during the year. For 2012 we have certified two additional officers, for a total of four, as operators on the system so we can increase the time we use the system.

Neighborhood Services has stayed busy with numbers consistent for animal calls. In 2010 there were 674 animal related calls compared with 664 in 2011. Of the 664 cases in 2011 160 dogs and 34 cats were taken to the shelter. NSO was able to return 150 dogs and 10 cats to their owners. Adoptions were completed for 9 dogs and 15 cats. There were 8 cases of vicious dogs in town during the year. As council is aware we continue to work with GVAWL to establish a service agreement for the use of kennel space in the shelter building they plan to construct in 2012. The basic plan is for GVAWL to make available 7 kennels for dogs and cats to be used by the City. The City will make a onetime payment for a 25 year agreement. Any shelter fees will be paid by the owners when claiming their animals. Unclaimed animals will be transferred to GVAWL for adoption and shelter fees for the city will be waived. The service agreement is in draft form and will be present to council after review by the City Attorney.

As reported, a few times, during the year transports associated with alcohol or mental health holds were up over prior years. Transport costs for 2011 were \$12825 which covered 20 protective holds, 6 warrant extraditions and 2 juvenile detentions. Three of the warrant extraditions involved out of state arrests.

Police reports taken in 2011 are consistent with prior years. The department took 598 reports which were reported to the state NIBRS system as Part A offenses with a 37% clearance rate. For comparison Mt Crested Butte is reporting a clearance rate of 32% with 49 reports, Crested Butte is 2% with 62 reports and Gunnison Sheriff's Office is 26% with 68 reports. Figures are based on preliminary data available from CBI and will not be finalized till February.

Reports taken that have been tracked for the last year are listed below.

Reports Taken	2009	2010	2011
Alcohol violations	33	34	35
Assaults	46	48	52
Burglaries	44	53	33
Controlled Substances	73	47	55
Criminal Mischief	146	199	132
Disorderly Conduct	52	44	47
Disturbing the Peace	106	92	84
DUI	52	55	49
FTA	33	22	26
Harassment	96	88	98
Thefts	362	270	225
Trespass	89	89	108

Communication Officers accomplished training on CPR, Emergency Medical Dispatching, CCIC recertification, APCO-NENA Conference, and regional meetings on 911 and state communications issues. A lot of time was spent in 2011 working with 9-1-1 System retailers and phone company personnel looking into the purchase of a new 911 System. As reported last month that decision has been made so efforts in 2012 will be toward getting the final product installed. There has also been a lot of time working through the radio repair shop and local users to coordinate modifications of all radio frequencies. Federal licensing was finally received and all emergency VHF radio frequencies in the county will be changed in 2012. This will bring us into compliance with a federal licensing requirement mandating the change by 2013.

Information for communications:

	2009	2010	2011
Ambulance Pages	1383	1227	1454
Fire Pages	428	434	521
EMD calls	288	197*	269
9-1-1 Calls	5126	5798	5332
Admin	95556	149379*	150602
Search and Rescue calls			51**

*information for February not included.

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Planning for 2012 includes the USA Pro Cycling Challenge, continued updating on the department policy procedures manual, review and updates to municipal ordinances, and updating the city emergency response plans.

If, you have any questions please contact me, office 641-8250 or cell 275-6783.
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